

Iseult Kelly

In the many condolences written for Iseult, she is described as a true lady and a very special friend with a big heart who always had a kind word to say.

And thus she was as a bridge partner, always pleasant, thrilled when we did well, philosophical in defeat!

She would have described herself as a social bridge player, there for the challenge of course, but she did so enjoy the fun and camaraderie of MRBC.

She was a Gaelgoir and loved the language, her father held the post of Minister for the Gaeltacht, among others. It was natural that she would have chosen teaching as her profession, and Irish and German as her subjects.

She and her husband travelled widely in their early years and it was while living in Zambia that she learned bridge, and she often talked of the ex-pat ladies who lunched and played bridge. Ever the teacher, she held Irish classes for children in preparation for their return to the Irish education system.

As everyone knows, a bridge partner is a unique sort of friendship and I fondly remember Iseult and our many great evenings of bridge. She was a reserved, private lady but with a sharp wit, ever ready for a good laugh.

Suaimhneas na bhFlaitheas da hanam dilis.

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